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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT'S BOARD OF
CONSULTANTS ON FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Recommended Revisions of National Security Council
Intelligence Directives

REFERENCE: Recommendation No. 9 of the Report to the President
of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign
Intelligence Activities, dated December 20, 1956

In keeping with the President's approval of Recommendation No. 9 of the reference report, the Director of Central Intelligence, in consultation with the Intelligence Advisory Committee, has had under review the seventeen NSCID's issued in the past by the Council.

On February 5, 1958 there was circulated to the Council and to you, seven revised draft NSC directives which were concurred in by the intelligence community and forwarded to the Council for consideration by the Director of Central Intelligence. Six of these draft directives consist of revisions and consolidations of prior NSCID's. A seventh deals with "critical intelligence communications" (draft NSCID No. 7), on which subject there has not heretofore been a separate NSCID. It is my understanding that in addition to the seven draft directives referred to above, we may expect one additional draft NSCID which will deal with "special intelligence" and which will be recommended as a substitute for the present NSCID No. 9.

We had tentatively scheduled the first seven draft NSCID's for consideration by the Council at its meeting of February 27, 1958. However, inasmuch as it is my understanding that the President's Board is scheduled to have its semi-annual meeting on February 28, 1958, and in view of the fact that it would be most helpful to the Council if it could have the comments and recommendations of the President's Board on these draft NSCID's, I am rescheduling them for consideration at the NSC meeting of March 6, 1958.

In keeping with the foregoing, I would appreciate receiving in advance of the NSC meeting of March 6, any comments and recommendations which your Board may have on the seven draft NSCID's which will be considered by the Council on that date.

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